It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/10105729/MBW.

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APPENDIX A:- COPY OF AMENDMENT TO SPECIFICATION WITH EDITING INDICIA

The paragraphs at page 3, lines 5-18 have been amended as follows:

Others have disclosed [US-A-5.807.975 discloses] thermal or room temperature polymerization of episulfide compounds using, as catalyst, a salt of formula:

$$M_m^{p+} Y_n^-$$

in which M^{p^+} is a cation selected from the group consisting of alkaline metals, alkaline earth metals, transition metals and ammonium groups, Y^- is an anion of an acid fulfilling the condition $0.5 \le Pka \le 14$, p is the valency of the cation and $n = m \times p$. A preferred catalyst is KSCN.

Although the polymerization time is very significantly decreased when using <u>such a salt</u> <u>catalyst</u> [the salt catalyst of US-5,807,975], there is still a requirement to speed up the polymerization of any kind of episulfides without inducing striation and yellowness or <u>without</u> [whitout] giving a run-away reaction.